

BUILDING AND MAINTAINING TRAILS FOR HUMAN-POWERED MOVEMENT

November 10, 2023

Mayor and Council City of Prince George 1100 Patricia Blvd. Prince George, BC V2L 3V9

RE: Request for a Letter of Support for Establishment of Non-Motorized Trails on Tabor Mountain

Background

The Association of Caledonia TrailBuilders (ACT) is a volunteer organization established in 2017 with a mission to build and maintain human-powered recreation trails in Prince George, BC. Our marquee project is located in the unceded territory of the Lheidli T'enneh on Tabor Mountain, twenty minutes east of downtown Prince George. Over the past two years we have worked closely with Recreation Sites and Trails and the Tabor Mountain Recreation Society (TMRS) to build thirteen kilometers of world-class non-motorized single-track trails and establish a new landmark for recreation in the north.

Single-track trails on Tabor Mountain provide a much-needed addition to the area's recreation spectrum. By utilizing existing recreation tenure east of the city, we have created an easily accessible high-quality multi-use destination that draws local trail users, area visitors, and enhances PG's reputation as a recreation hub. We truly believe that continued development of this trail network will lead to economic opportunity and foster a local culture that keeps our community happy, healthy, and engaged.

Our growing membership is dedicated not only to volunteer building and maintenance, but also to creating equitable opportunities for all user types regardless of age, interest, competency, or physical ability.

As our project develops, we require continued support from the province. Formal establishment under Sec. 56 of the Forest and Range Practices Act of our currently built and imminently planned trails will unlock the potential for expanded funding, enhance visibility, and highlight the benefits of government agencies and volunteers working together. Without establishment from the provincial government, we risk stagnation of the project and a potential for unrealized investment.

Request for Letter of Support from Mayor and Council

The Association of Caledonia TrailBuilders is asking for a letter of support from Mayor and Council to accompany our formal request to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy for the establishment of the Tabor Mountain trails under Sec. 56 of the Forest and Range Practices Act.

Sincerely,

Dan Domes President, Association of Caledonia TrailBuilders On the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh

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